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4/8 IA Div. takes over Karbala province in TOA ceremony

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Review.

FOB KALSU, Iraq — Soldiers from 1st Battalion, 4th Brigade, 8th Iraqi Army Division, march during a pass-and-review June 2 at the 1/4/8 IAD compound in Hindiniyah. A ceremony was held as the 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, passed operational area responsibility for the Karbala province to the 4/8 IAD.

(U.S. Army photo by Cpl. Michael Molinaro, 2nd BCT PAO, 4th Inf. Div.)



Signing.

FOB KALSU, Iraq — (from left to right) Brig. Gen. Razzak Abid Ali Mohammed, Karbala provincial police chief, Dr. Aqueel Mahmoud Kareem Al Khazali, Governor of Karbala, Maj. Gen. Oothman Ali Farhood, commander, 8th Iraqi Army Division, and Brig. Gen. Thomas C. Maffey, assistant division commander (maneuver), Multi-National Division – Baghdad, sign documents officially turning over responsibility for the Karbala province from 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, to 4th Brigade, 8th IAD, June 2 at the 1st Battalion, 4/8 IAD, compound in Hindiniyah. This is the second brigade of the 8th IAD to assume responsibility of an operational area in the past three months from the Warhorse brigade.

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Casing.

FOB KALSU, Iraq — Lt. Col. Michael Hilliard, commander, 3rd Battalion, 16th Field Artillery Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, and Command Sgt. Maj. Edward Trentzsch, 3-16 FA, case the colors of the 2nd BCT during an assumption of operational area ceremony with the 4th Brigade, 8th Iraqi Army Division, June 2 at the 1st Battalion, 4/8 IAD compound in Hindiniyah. The Warhorse brigade handed the Karbala province over to the IA, reflecting the progress the Iraqi Security Forces have made.

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Inspect.

FOB KALSU, Iraq — Brig. Gen. Imad Majhool Somyday Mutalak Alslawi, commander, 4th Brigade, 8th Iraqi Army Division, and Col. John Tully, commander, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, inspect soldiers from the 4/8 IAD during a ceremony June 2 at the 1st Battalion, 4/8 IAD compound in Hindiniyah. 2nd BCT, 4th Inf. Div. passed over responsibility of the Karbala province to the 4/8 IAD, marking the second brigade from the 8 IAD to assume responsibility of an entire province in the past three months.

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